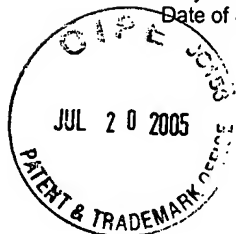


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AMENDMENT A

Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Official Action dated February 18, 2005 (hereinafter the "Official Action"), having a period for response that expired on May 18, 2005. A request for a two-month extension of time is filed simultaneously herewith, extending the period for response to July 18, 2005. Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0426 in the amount of \$450.00. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

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